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- 1. A new recruiting campaign within the Volkspolizei in northern Mecklenburg has begun. Young and strong members of the Volkspolizei between the ages of 18 and 26 are being recruited for service in the ski troops. They will be instructed in the Harz mountains, with special courses beginning on 1 December. The instruction will include the same course formerly given to mountain troops.
- 2. All Volkspolizer receiving parachute training have been taken to Frankfurt/Oder for four weeks of special courses under Soviet specialists. Former German aviators also take part in these courses. All former transport fliers have been assembled at the Werneuchen Airfield.
- 3. During a discussion hour of the Volkspolizei at the Fusilier barracks, some of the men with long service asked why they could not have their discharges. They were punished by degradation. It was made clear to them that the discussion hour was not the place to protest against Soviet orders.

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